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SUBJ: JDL - REQUEST FOR INFO RE JOSHUA JOFFEE (JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE)

1. DURING CALL AT OFFICE NY DISTRICT ATTORNEY APRIL 28, MISOFFS (MARTIN/KUTTNER) OFFERED USG'S HELP AS APPROPRIATE IN JDL PROSECUTIONS. ASSISTANT DA STAN LUPKIN, WHO WILL PROSECUTE NY SUPREME COURT CASES AGAINST JDL DEFENDANTS, ASKED IF WHEREABOUTS COULD BE ASCERTAINED ON JOSHUA JOFFEE, WHO GAVE DOB AS JUNE 14, 1950 WHEN ARRESTED. DA HAS NO RECORD RE POB JOFFEE WAS REPORTED IN NY TIMES JAN 19, 1971 TO BE 20 YEARS OLD AND RESIDING 340 EAST 51ST STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

2. JOFFEE IS CHARGED WITH BURGLARY AND ASSAULT ON GHAZI KHANKANI AND ASSAULT ON DR. MOHAMMAD T. MEHDI ON MAY 22, 1970 IN ARAB AMERICAN RELATIONS OFFICE. JOFFEE DID NOT APPEAR IN CRIMINAL COURT ON APRIL 26 FOR TRIAL ON CRIMINAL TRESPASS CHARGE ARISING OUT OF JDL DEMONSTRATION AT AMTORG ON JUNE 23, 1970. BENCH WARRANT WAS ISSUED.

3. LUPKIN HAS IMPRESSION JOFFEE NO LONGER ASSOCIATED WITH JDL AND MAY HAVE FLED COUNTRY TO ESCAPE PROSECUTION.

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4. LUPKIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEREABOUTS JOFFEE IN TIME TO USE ON JUNE 7. WHEN RABBI KAHANE, JOFFEE AND SIX OTHER DEFENDANTS ARE SCHEDULED APPEAR FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN CASES ARISING OUT OF FOL THREE JDL INCIDENTS. MAY 22, 1970 AT ARAB AMERICAN RELATIONS OFFICE, NOV 1970 AT INTOURIST, AND DEC 27, 1970 AT SMUN.

5. USUN HAS QUERIED FBI AND PASSPORT OFFICE NEW YORK. FBI BELIEVES JOFFEE IN ISRAEL BUT DUE RETURN SOON. THEY HAVE SO INFORMED NEW YORK CITY POLICE. PASSPORT OFFICE CHECKING ISSUANCE PASSPORT.

6. MEMCON FOLLOWS.
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